

**MAYNARD COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD**

**Minutes**

**October 19, 2021**

**In-Person Meeting**

**In attendance:** Mary Beth Coyne, Anita Dolan, Angie Flannery, Paul Guthrie, David Hull, Amy Loveless and Diane Wasiuk. Guests included: Mary Ann Bassett and Linda Cetrone.

**Meeting called to order at 1:05 p.m.**

**Minutes September 22, 2021 were approved.**

**Public Comment: none.**

**Minuteman Senior Services Liaison Report:**

Mary Beth reported that all home health aides are being required to be vaccinated by October 30. She cited statistics from a report that moving forward 70% of individuals over the age of 65 will end up needing some form of in-home or supplemental care as they age.

**COA Director's Report:**

- The Select Board did not initiate a RFP (for a senior center space) per the COA Board's letter of recommendation to do so. The Select Board did recommend adding a space for the senior center to the capital planning project list and will be forwarding the COA Board's letter to the Capital Planning Committee.
- FY23 budget preparations will be starting. Leasing option will be included.
- "Grab-n-Go's" will be starting again in November as well as trips to Walmart. Both activities, especially the drive-through luncheons, engage a wide group of seniors.
- Due to low interest in the Fox Tours trip it was cancelled. Amy continues to receive reports of decreases in typical attendance at various COA's. Virtual programs are doing well.
- New activities are being added to the daily schedule with encouragement for seniors to feel like they can "drop-in."
- Amy presented to the Human Relations Committee on fuel assistance resources as well as other social services the COA provides. She attended the ADA Commission meeting, the Making the Connections transportation meeting, and the Minuteman Senior Services monthly meeting.

**New Business: none.**

**Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.**

